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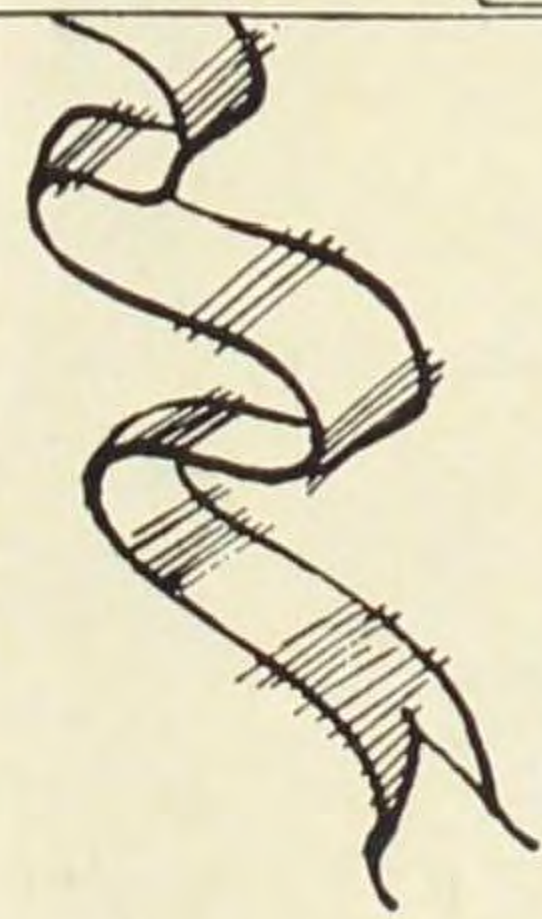
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Silent night
Holy night
All is calm
All is bright

WISHING YOU
ALL THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS

The Editor
and Associates

Editorial Comment

THE GIFTS At this Christmas Season the people of God open their Bibles to those passages of Scripture which tell of the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ, and there again give attention to the wise men and their gifts.

It will be noted that they *put Christ first* and when they had found him, *they worshiped him*. Once in his presence they gave to him their best; first they brought themselves, then their treasures.

They gave Gold to the King, a symbol of his royalty, Frankincense, a symbol of his purity and fragrance as a Prophet, and Myrrh, a bitter herb, symbolical of his suffering and sacrifice;—their Priest.

Among those many thousands of Christians today, some have given their all. From some the gift has been money; others uncounted hours of labor; while from still others the gift has been the sacrifice of home comforts, the fellowship of loved ones; and as evidence of the supreme sacrifice we point to the little graves in the lonesome places of the world where many weary bodies were covered, there to await the sounding of the trumpet, when they will hear those welcome words—“*come up hither.*”

LITTLE THINGS A man falls in love with a dimple and marries the whole girl. In selecting a home, that wonderful kitchen, or that darling porch, or that perfect bath, dictates the choice.

In calling a pastor the little things many times overshadow basic fundamentals. Sometime ago a sister said to this editor: “Oh, I certainly hope that he gets the call.” Knowing that the man had but little to offer, we asked the reason for her enthusiasm; whereupon she said: “Did you ever see any person look nicer than he did in that light suit and black tie?” In selecting a church home the newcomers are often guided by the same philosophy. The church is selected because of its friendliness, its many young people, its good music, or some other such thing.

From a purely human stand-

point, when “selecting” a pastor, many factors should outweigh the force of those two sermons, his appearance, his musical ability, or his personal charm. Granting the advantage of these, his doctrinal views, his spiritual life, and his ability to handle the Word must be given front line consideration. Likewise, when religious people go “shopping” for a church home, it is well to consider first on the agenda, the foundation upon which the church is built; whether upon the Lord Jesus Christ and his Word, or upon a social platform.

Churches and pastors the world around look alike, but the product is on the one hand, gold, silver and precious stones; on the other, wood, hay and stubble.

TRAMPS It is said that a tramp turns his back to the wind. So is it with many church tramps as they move from one church to another, seeking the path of least resistance. When



storm clouds appear on the church horizon, or a bit of cold air seems to blow from some department, or some person places a stone in their path to popularity, they turn their back and drift on.

In the first Psalm the inspired writer points to the man who delights in the law of the Lord and says that “he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water.” He points to others who are not so planted, and are “like the chaff which the wind driveth away.”

Into every church the storms will come and happy is the pastor

whose officers delight in the Word of God, whose ambitions are not according to the flesh, whose eyes are fixed upon Jesus; men who are like a tree planted by the rivers of water. When the storms have swept some out under another roof, these will be seen standing unmoved, serving the Lord. Such were the men of Gideon, as recorded in Judges 7:21—“And they stood every man in his place round about the camp.”

SEPARATION *Separation* is the Watchword among all Regular Baptist Churches. As the Age of Grace advances, Bible believing people see the flowering of the predicted apostasy and the people are moved to separate sine die from all groups promoting, or in fellowship with, the apostates.

There is a tendency on the part of some to be tolerant with those who tolerate unbelief, and to those who do not accept the Word of God as authoritative, the word *separation* is repugnant. In the political field there are those who would coddle the Soviet; in the religious realm there are those who wish to remain in the good graces of the convention, and in every church there are those who wink at sin. However, it is noted that God's richest blessing, as evidenced by church attendance, financial receipts, missionaries sent forth, and young people attending Bible school, rests upon those who follow literally the Scripture and—*come out from among them.*

YOUTH RAMPAGING The rising delinquency among juveniles seems to be keyed to the rise in divorce. It is generally acknowledged that delinquent parents contribute to current conditions.

One county in the state of Georgia handled 699 cases of juvenile delinquency in twelve months, an increase of 40% over the previous year, and this increase was in almost exact proportion to the increase in divorces granted over the same period. It was found that 53% of the delinquents came from broken homes. The broken home foreshadows broken lives among the young people.

The court in the county cited has

called upon the churches to broaden youth programs; however, the church operates under a heavy handicap when not supported by the home.

DOORS CLOSING Without question or doubt the influence of the Roman Catholic Church is being used to close the doors of countries around the world to Protestant missionaries.

The front line battle ground at present seems to be the South American countries, centering in Colombia.

We have a heavy file furnished by Dr. Harold T. Commons of the Association of Baptists For World Evangelism, carrying exchanges of letters and cablegrams. In spite of treaties and agreements, missionaries of various Protestant groups have not only been ordered to cease operations in certain territory where their work has been established for many years, but to leave the territory. The missions involved are attempting to deal with the Embassy of the country, and through the department of state, but the outcome cannot be predicted.

The procedure of the Roman Catholic Church in these small countries, indicates definitely the procedure that will be followed in other countries, including the United States, if or when Catholicism gains control.

FEAR Motoring around the country we notice lookout stations at various points in which is one person watching for planes and reporting to a regional office. This is a part of the Civil Defense program.

The Un-American Activities Committee is opening an investigation of all amateur radio stations, listening to the conversations and checking contacts. It is probable that more restrictive rules will soon be published to govern the activities.

In many directions the finger of suspicion is pointed and men in high places are required to show definitely that they are in no way related to communism.

All of this spells—FEAR.

In Matthew 24:10, in relation to the end time it is written, "And

then many shall be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another." The Holy Spirit speaking through Luke, points to a time of great perplexity at the end of the Age, and says: "Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth. . ."

The hearts of the peoples of the earth are filled with fear. It is written, "And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

THAT GIFT The Ohio Independent Baptist is a gift gratefully received by Baptist families. Each month of the year the magazine reminds one of the friend who gave it. Remember your relatives and friends and have the magazine begin with the January number. Address: Mrs. Carl W. Martin, 316 Tenth Street, Elyria, Ohio.



READ THIS!

We have received a letter from the Rev. Wilfred Booth, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Galion, to which is attached a check for \$54.00, covering 36 subscriptions for the magazine.

The letter states that a prize was offered to the young people for obtaining subscriptions, new and renewal, and that Marcine Edwards, Elaine Booth and Kern Rose were the winners and are in line to carry off the prizes. This is the second long list sent in by this aggressive pastor. Our theory that the degree of coverage by the magazine in any church depends upon the pastor has been supported by abundant evidence.

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"DOWN FROM HIS GLORY"

By REV. CHARLES W. McKINNEY, *Pastor Calvary Baptist Church, Canton, Ohio*

On a lonely Judean hillside there sat a small band of shepherds keeping a close vigil over their flocks as they grazed beneath the starry canopy of heaven. This was not an uncommon hillside scene. Sheep herding had been the chief occupation of the peasants of this land for centuries. Yet to this small band of shepherds came the angel of the Lord with the glorious announcement of the birth of Christ. Before they had opportunity to realize the import of the tremendous tidings of great joy contained in the announcement, the angel was suddenly surrounded by "a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." What a hymn of praise this must have been as its harmony wafted heavenward to the Father who had given His Son to the world. This was the first Christmas carol. Since then many have been inspired to write poems of praise to God "for His unspeakable gift."

There will be many this year who shall sing the familiar seasonal hymns to whom the "good tidings of great joy" are unknown. They will go through the formalities of worshipping Christ, and will feel that their presence in church during the Christmas season will be analogous to the homage of the shepherds when they bowed before the Babe in Bethlehem's manger. But the meaning of Christmas will be utterly lost amid the pomp and ceremony, trappings and display, unless the Bible is opened and attention is focused upon the Divine Person who came, the Divine Purpose of His coming, and the Divine Principle by which His mission is accomplished in human lives. Let us give sober reflection to each of these considerations as we turn to the only Book that affords us understanding in our quest for absolute truths.

I. THE PERSON WHO CAME

It is necessary at the outset that we recognize Who the Babe was that came into the world. Did He differ from the other children that were born in Israel at the time? Was He just another boy born into humble surroundings



Charles W. McKinney

who rose above circumstances to a place of importance in history? Nearly two milleniums have transpired since His birth, and yet He is remembered while most of His contemporaries have been forgotten. Surely some good reason must be given to account for this indisputable fact. We submit the words of Simon Peter in his reply to Jesus' interrogation of his disciples as to whom they thought he was. Peter said: "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." No wonder the heavenly hosts burst into praise at the announcement of His birth! At last the long anticipated hour had come. The promised Deliverer, who would bruise the head of the serpent, had now come "in the fulness of the time, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons." (Gal. 4:4)

Too often in emphasizing the events surrounding the incarnation of Jesus Christ we lose sight of His pre-existence. Since He is God, then we must recognize that He ever existed. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God." (John 1:1-2) No passage in scripture depicts this more clearly than that magnificent description of Christ as Wisdom personified written in all the beauty

of Hebrew poetry found in Proverbs 8:22-36. "The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was." (vss. 22-23) "... I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him." (vs. 30)

Jesus did not begin to live when He was born of the Virgin Mary. "He is before all things, and by him all things consist." (Col. 1:17) Like Melchisedec, king of Salem, to whom Abraham gave a tenth part of all, Jesus Christ is without "beginning of days, nor end of life." (Heb. 7:3)

The Apostle Paul in speaking of the condescension of Christ in II Corinthians 8:9 wrote: "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich." Think of it! "He was rich." Before He assumed the mantle of flesh and stooped to the role of the Man of sorrows; before He was despised and rejected of men; before He became the uncomely Nazarene; before He was wounded for our transgressions; before He was so marred that his visage was beyond recognition; before He poured out his soul unto death and was cut off out of the land of the living for your iniquities and mine—"He was rich." He possessed all the treasures of the deep. Every beast of the forest were His, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. He could say, "I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof." (Psalm 50:10-12)

Yet "He became poor." The very Person who existed from the beginning on an equality with the Father stripped Himself of His glory, and took on Him the nature of a bondservant by becoming a man like other men. "He humbled Himself." (Phil. 2:5-8) Why did He become poor? Why did He, who had been waited on by angels, become a servant of servants? Why did the well-beloved Son of the Father come into a world where He was spit upon and vilely



treated by unworthy creatures? The Spirit of God does not leave us to our own futile speculations. The reason is given very pointedly, "For your sakes."

This brings us to our second consideration; namely,

II THE DIVINE PURPOSE FOR HIS COMING

God leaves nothing to chance or circumstance. Things do not just happen with the God who created the universe according to intricate design. He does all things after the counsel of His own will. Jesus Christ robed Himself in a garment of flesh and dwelt among poor, depraved, sinful, foolish, disobedient, deceived, hopeless, godless, ignorant men and women, to provide a gateway between God and man. Because of sin we were alienated from God by our wicked works, but God commended His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ came into the world to become the Mediator, the Reconciler, between a Holy God who can not look upon sin, and man the sinner. "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself. . . ." "For he hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." (II Cor. 5:19, 21)

There was little cause for singing and joy before the angels lifted their voices in praise on the night of the Incarnation. The whole human race was under the curse and penalty of the Law. There was nothing wrong with the Law, for as Paul writes in Rom. 7:12: "Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good." The Law was spiritual, but mankind had broken the Law and was condemned by it. Salvation could not come by the Law because there was no law given which could give life. Therefore scripture concluded all under sin. (Gal. 3:21-22) Then God intervened in the Person of His Son. "He spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all" (Rom. 8:32). "Christ bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness." (I Pet. 2:24) "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit." (I Pet. 3:18)

Are you still in doubt as to the Divine Purpose for the coming of Jesus Christ? He was the only

Person ever to partake of flesh and blood who came for the express purpose of dying. God never intended that man created in His image should die, but Jesus was born to die. Why? He assumed human nature "that through death he might *destroy* him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and *deliver* them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage." (Heb. 2:14-15) There is the answer. "He became poor for your sakes." He came to deliver you from the law of sin and death that the righteousness of God's perfect



law might be fulfilled in you, even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe. (Rom. 8:2, 4; 3:22) Should we not make haste during this season, as did the shepherds, to the Babe who, when He came to Manhood, was cruelly lifted up by wicked hands upon the Cross with the purpose of drawing us unto Himself? Should we not bow and prostrate ourselves before Him "who gave himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works"?

We have already alluded to our third consideration—

III. THE DIVINE PRINCIPLE BY WHICH HIS MISSION IS ACCOMPLISHED IN HUMAN LIVES

The Apostle John in penning his account of our Lord's life closes the record by restating the purpose for his writing with these words: "But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus

is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name." (John 20:31) From this we gather that if we are to be the eternal benefactors of the completed ministry of Jesus Christ who gave his life a ransom for many, then we must act in faith. FAITH is the Divine Principle that bestows the life-giving power in the sacrifice of Christ to the sinner. "But without FAITH, it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." (Heb. 11:6) "For by grace are ye saved through FAITH; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." (Eph. 2:8) "For ye are all the children of God by FAITH in Christ Jesus." (Gal. 3:26) "But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his FAITH is counted for righteousness." (Rom. 4:5)

John does not give us an account of the actual birth of Christ since he is not primarily concerned with the details regarding the humanity of Christ. He presents Christ as God with the very first stroke of the pen. Yet in the midst of that sublime opening chapter he declares in terms that a child can understand that "as many as RECEIVED Him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." (John 1:12) In this verse John is confirming what has already been stated by the Apostle Paul; namely, "that through His self-imposed poverty," if we RECEIVE HIM as our personal Saviour, WE ARE MADE RICH. Should we not break forth into singing anthems of praise unto "the Lamb that was slain, and hast redeemed us to God by His blood, and hast made us unto our God kings and priests"?

This is the season for joyous singing. If we have RECEIVED Christ as our Saviour and Lord, then there should be a song in our hearts, even praise unto our God. During this sacred season when the world is forced to give some recognition to the Babe that came, let us shout and sing to all men everywhere "that Christ Jesus came into the world to SAVE SINNERS." Beloved, let us publish the gospel of peace and glad tidings!

"Down from His Glory,
Ever living story,
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THE INCOMPARABLE CHRIST

By REV. CLAYTON J. BATES, *Pastor Fairfield Baptist Church, Thurston, Ohio*

He came from the bosom of the Father to the bosom of a woman. He put on humanity that we might put on divinity. He became Son of Man that we might become sons of God. He came from Heaven, where the rivers never freeze, winds never blow, frosts never chill the air, flowers never fade, and no one is ever sick. No undertakers and no graveyards, for no one ever dies—no one is ever buried.

He was born contrary to the laws of nature, lived in poverty, reared in obscurity; only once crossed the boundary of the land, in childhood. He had no wealth nor influence, and had neither training nor education. His relatives were inconspicuous and uninfluential.

In infancy He startled a King; in boyhood He puzzled the doc-

tors; in manhood ruled the course of nature. He walked upon the billows and hushed the sea to sleep. He healed the multitudes without medicine, and made no charge for his services. He never wrote a book, yet not all the libraries of the country could hold all the books that have been written about Him. He never wrote a song, yet He has furnished the theme for more songs than all the writers combined. He never founded a college, yet all the schools together cannot boast of as many students as He has. He never practiced medicine, and yet He has healed more broken hearts than the doctors, broken bodies.

He never marshalled an army, drafted a soldier, nor fired a gun, yet no leader ever made more volunteers who have, under His orders, made rebels stack arms and

surrender without a shot being fired.

He is the Star of Astronomy, the Rock of Geology, the Lion and the Lamb of Zoology, the Harmoniser of all discords, and the Healer of all diseases. Great men have come and gone, yet He lives on. Herod could not kill Him, Satan could not seduce Him, Death could not destroy Him, the grave could not hold Him.

He laid aside His purple robe for a peasant's gown. He was rich, yet for our sake He became poor. How poor? Ask Mary! Ask the Wise Men! He slept in another's manger. He rode on another's ass. He was buried in another man's tomb. All failed, but He never, The ever perfect One—He is the Chief among ten thousand. HE IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY, and He is my Savior.

BAPTIST CHURCH ORGANIZED

It was a big problem but the problem was surrounded by determined men and women, ready to melt it down and over it constitute a Regular Baptist Church. It was several months ago that the Rev. Ben H. Garlich and some brethren from North Madison, Ohio, came to the editorial office and stated that a majority of the members in the North Madison Community Church were BAPTIST in Faith and Practice and wished to convert the work into a Regular Baptist Church.

The problem was somewhat involved since the "North Madison Community Church" owned the

valuable property. However, step by step every barrier was removed. Early in the morning of November 29, Pastor Garlich called this editor on the telephone reporting a definitely harmonious meeting held the preceding evening when a REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH was constituted. The new church carries a membership of fifty-six active and operating Christian people, all Scripturally baptized. The property is being transferred by the trustees of the Community Church, under legal direction, to the newly organized BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH of North Madison. The membership adopted the Confes-

sion of Faith used by Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches, and also the Constitution set up by the Faith Baptist Church, Amherst, Ohio, which we consider as well suited for any such church.

The church is now in the process of calling a Council of Churches, asking for recognition, and if or when such recognition is extended, an application for fellowship will be made to Ohio Association.

The Rev. Ben H. Garlich is a graduate of Baptist Bible Institute and his aggressive leadership is being used of the Lord.

LA GRANGE DEDICATES ORGAN

The auditorium of the First Baptist Church, La Grange, was well filled at 2:30, Sunday afternoon, November 8, when the Rev. Edward Helmick, pastor of the

church opened the dedicatory service.

Following the invocation by Rev. Howard Laing, Richard Giesel presented a vocal number, Orville Rising addressed the church, announcing that all indebtedness on the new Hammond Electric Organ had been cleared, and Judd Spicer read a portion of Scripture.

The Organ Concert was presented by Mrs. Wanda Laing, the talented wife of the pastor at the First Baptist Church, Litchfield, Ohio, and the listeners

seemed to spend the hour in the foothills of the Mount of Transfiguration. Without question the work of Mrs. Laing was superb.

Following the formal concert Mrs. Laing played request numbers from the church hymn book, and other selections.

The La Grange church is in a highly prosperous condition under the ministry, with Sunday School attendance average of 175, ever increasing attendance at all services of the church, and expanding missionary program.

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BROOKSIDE HONORS PASTOR

The auditorium of the Union Gospel Press building, Cleveland, was filled to capacity Saturday evening, November 20, when the Brookside Baptist Church provided a reception honoring Rev. George O'Keefe and family. The committee preferred not to use the spacious auditorium of the church, but to accept the kind invitation of the Union Gospel Press, where more adequate dining room facilities were available.

Mr. Tom Harpootlian opened the program with several congregational numbers, then placed the program in the hands of H. K. Finley as master of ceremonies.

Following prayer by the Rev. Herbert Jones, the following pas-

tors, in brief addresses, extended the greetings of their congregations:

Rev. George R. Gibson, Calvary, Cleveland; Rev. Don Woodby, Haden Avenue Baptist, Cleveland; Rev. Earl V. Willetts, Berea Baptist, Berea; Rev. James Godley, First Baptist, Parma; Rev. Harry Hemminger, Northfield Center Baptist; Rev. Allan E. Lewis, Nottingham Baptist, Cleveland; Rev. Herbert Jones, Beebetown Baptist. A letter of greeting from Rev. Gerald V. Smelser, Cleveland Hebrew Mission, was read. Several pastors regretted their inability to be present due to the conference of Mid-Missions in session at Hough Baptist Church.

Throughout the evening special music was furnished by *The King's Men*—quartet from the First Baptist Church, Elyria, Ohio. This well qualified group consists of Richard J. Elliott, director, Gilbert Walker, Allan Davies and Herbert Carlson. Mrs. Gordon Carlson is the accompanist.

Following the brief response addresses by Pastor O'Keefe and Wife, the members of the church and guests were ushered to the well arranged dining room where tasty refreshments were served.

Pastor and Mrs. O'Keefe have already received a place in the hearts of the people and a long, profitable ministry is in the prospect.

HEBRON WOMEN MEET

Mrs. Homer Graven, President of the Women's Missionary Union, Hebron Association, opened the scheduled meeting in the Calvary Baptist Church, Norwalk, promptly at 10:30, Tuesday, November 10, with a representative audience from the 21 affiliated churches, present.

Mrs. Verne L. Dunham, Lorain, conducted the musical portion of the program, calling upon Mrs. Adam A. Galt, Spencer, for prayer, after which Mrs. Devere Mayo, La Grange, presented a profitable devotional message.

Rev. Thomas Younger, the pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Arcanum, Ohio, serving under the Fellowship of Baptists For Home Missions, was the speaker.

Following the bountiful dinner served by ladies of the Norwalk Church, the afternoon service opened with a hymn-sing led by Mrs. Dunham, Mrs. Kenneth Smelser, Medina, leading in prayer, with Mrs. Leland Howard, Amherst, conducting the devotional period. Pastor Younger again presented a forceful message.

Special music for the morning

and afternoon meetings was provided by Mrs. Norma Schaechterle, and Mrs. William D. Smith, Norwalk.

Mrs. Graven called for report of activities and financial statistics indicated that the women of the Penfield Junction Baptist Church eclipsed all other groups reporting, with contributions aggregating \$1,048.00 for missions during the past twelve months.

The next regular meeting of the women's organization will be held in the Penfield Junction Baptist Church, Tuesday, April 13, 1954.

TRUSTEES TO BE ADDED

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The Ohio Regular Baptist Home And Camp, which is composed of the members of the Council of Ten, Ohio Association, held an adjourned session in Berea, Friday, November 27, 1953, to complete the unfinished business of the annual meeting of the corporation held in Portsmouth, October 20th.

At the meeting in Portsmouth, Pastor Hall Dautel made a motion, seconded by Rev. W. H. Green: "That the corporation of Ohio Regular Baptist Home and Camp, at an adjourned session to be held in Berea, Ohio, Friday, November 27, 1953, amend the

Constitution to provide for twelve trustees, instead of eight." Such change in the Constitution cannot be made until at least ten days later than the initiatory action, hence, the adjourned session. The action was consummated at the meeting in Berea.

As need requires the Council of Ten, Ohio Association, which body elects the trustees of Home and Camp, will be asked to elect additional members.

The obligations resting upon the trustees of Home and Camp are increasingly heavy and the trustees have been under-staffed, as

manifested last year on Kelleys Island. Then, with a Home for the Aged in the prospect, additional duties will ensue. It is the common thought among the trustees that the additions should not simply be "names." As we believe, the men will be selected because of individual qualifications which seem to be suited to specific requirements.

The motion to amend the Constitution was made by the Rev. Elton C. Hukill, seconded by the Rev. T. Fred Hussey, and passed by unanimous vote of all members present.

FLOYD DAVIS ORDAINED

On November 23 the Independent Baptist Church of North Jackson witnessed the ordination of the pastor, Floyd Davis. For several years this young pastor has conducted a successful minis-

try among the people. He came out of the Methodist Church of the village, with a large group, organizing the Independent Baptist Church. The work prospered to a point where a site was acquired,

a basement church was built, and now the people are in the process of erecting the super-structure.

At the service for examination
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CHURCH DEDICATED AT LIMA

LARGE AUDIENCES PRESENT

Sunday, November 15, 1953, will never be forgotten by the pastor and people of the Northside Baptist Church, Lima, Ohio.

Rev. J. Irving Reese, Director of the *Fellowship of Baptists For Home Missions*, presented the dedicatory message in the afternoon, the sermon being enthusiastically received by the large audience, visitors attending from many neighboring churches.

Rev. H. K. Finley, Elyria, delivered the morning message, and Rev. Earl V. Willetts, who was present throughout the day, was the evening speaker.

Rev. Frank Brower, a former pastor of the church, now of Kalkaska, Michigan, was the speaker Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, the Rev. Reginald Lloyd Matthews, Toledo, bringing the Monday night message.

On Thursday evening the Rev. Cyril L. Carden, Columbus was the speaker, and on Friday evening, the Rev. T. Fred Hussey, Bellefontaine, delivered the message.

A musical treat was presented at the dedicatory service when the Chorus of Cedarville College presented a musical program under the direction of Professor William P. Ambrose. The department of music at Cedarville College is rapidly forging to the front as an outstanding musical organization, under the competent leadership of Mr. Ambrose. The quartet is gaining unusual popularity among the churches.

At the beginning of the dedicatory service the Rev. Gerald Barlow of Bellefontaine, offered prayer, and in closing the service the congregation read the pledge and dedicatory, followed by the pastoral prayer of dedication by the Rev. Clark E. Spaulding.

The History

About nine years ago Mr. and Mrs. John C. Redmond organized

a Bible Club in their home with an enrollment of about 40 youngsters, few of whom attended Sunday School. Very soon some of the parents began to attend the club meetings, and in the end the attendance was so great that the house could no longer be used as a meeting place. Mr. Redmond purchased three lots in the neighborhood and a small church was built, this later becoming crowded to capacity.

Being unable to make further progress with available facilities, the people consulted with the Rev. Earl V. Willetts who arranged contact with the *Fellowship of Baptists For Home Missions*, Rev. J. Irving Reese, director. The Fellowship assisted the group financially and spiritually, whereupon, the small church was sold, another site purchased, and the present spacious building erected. On the date of dedication all indebtedness had been paid except about \$20,000.00.

Following the first conference with Mr. Reese, it was arranged

that Rev. and Mrs. William Fisk, then serving with the *Fellowship of Baptists For Home Missions*, should enter the field and during their ministry heavy gains were made. Then came Rev. Frank Brower, followed in 1949 by the present pastor, Rev. C. E. Spaulding. The present pastor is rendering warrior service and is popular with all of the people.

The new church, located at 635 West Ashton Street, in a residential district is 40' x 100' and is surrounded by a parking space ample to accommodate the ever-increasing number cars.

Ohio Association congratulates this enterprising people and rejoices to see the outcome of the first such venture entered into by the *Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions*.

SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL

Dr. Howard G. Young, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Wellington, Ohio, reports a highly successful evangelistic campaign conducted in the church by Evangelist Lester Rasmussen of Momence, Illinois. The letter states that thirty persons made profession of faith and that throughout the series of meetings record breaking crowds were present.

Pastor Young states that Mr. Rasmussen is a Baptist of the Bible believing sort and he recommends him to the churches.



The Auditorium



Northside Baptist Church, Lima, Ohio

NORTH ROYALTON CELEBRATES

MANY VISITORS ATTEND SERVICES

It was in 1828, fifty-two years after the Declaration of Independence was signed, that the Pioneer Baptist Church was constituted in North Royalton. The congregation celebrated the 125th Anniversary at special, all-day meetings on Sunday, November 22, 1953.

Rev. H. K. Finley of Elyria was the morning speaker, presenting the anniversary message. The afternoon was given over to reminiscence, when many of the "old-Timers" had their say, recalling events of former years. In the evening the Rev. Richard Neale presented a forceful message under the subject: "The Task Before Us."

At the morning service Mr. Hiram Dunning, the oldest deacon, extended greetings, with a word of counsel to the youngest deacon, Wilbur Cartwright, who also spoke briefly. Mr. Dunning is 84 years of age, has been a Baptist for 68 years, and has served as a deacon continuously for 42 years. He is held in high regard by the membership.

On the platform also were the other deacons of the church, including Mr. Lester Edgerton, Mayor of the village. Mr. Edgerton has been executive officer of the village for 27 years, and was recently returned to the office by 73% of all votes cast, despite the candidacy of other residents.

The church had its beginning in a school house 125 years ago, with a membership of eleven believers. In 1850 a new house of worship was erected and was replaced in 1929

by the well designed, brick edifice now in use.

The records indicate that the first pastor was the Rev. Henry Hudson who served as minister, doctor and farmer, receiving from the congregation an annual salary of \$50.00.

The North Royalton Baptist Church is free from debt and has valuable property, prominently located, on which is the house of worship and a modern parsonage. The membership includes 135 believers who contribute more than \$12,000.00 each year, and the pastor and people are definitely interested in all projects of Ohio Association, Lester Edgerton serving as a trustee of Ohio Regular Baptist Home and Camp. The church has contributed almost \$500.00 to Camp Patmos.

The present pastor is the Rev. Kenneth Nelson who came to the pulpit from Maynard, Minnesota, about two years ago. He is a fine pastor and holds the respect, and is gaining the attention, of the residents over a wide area.

Throughout the day of celebration, music was featured, the choir of approximately 20 voices furnishing special music, supported by Mrs. Evelyn Cartwright at the organ console, and Mrs. Lucerne Weidig at the piano.

The magazine extends congratulations to the pastor and members of the Pioneer Baptist Church, with a prayer that the testimony of the church may continue to be resounding until the Lord terminates its ministry by the call—"Come Up Hither."

"DOWN FROM HIS GLORY"

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My God and Savior came,
And Jesus was His name,
Born in a manger,
To His own a stranger,
A Man of sorrows, tears and
agony."

"What condescension,
Bringing us redemption;
That in the dead of night,
Not one faint hope insight,
God, gracious, tender,
Laid aside His splendor,
Stooping to woo, to win, to save
my soul."

"Oh how I love Him!
How I adore Him!
My breath, my sunshine, my all
in all!
The great Creator
Became my Savior,
And all God's fullness dwelleth
in Him."

FINDLAY CHURCH FORGES AHEAD

Calvary Baptist Presents Fine Testimony

Rev. Denzel Osburn of Mid-Missions was a guest speaker at the Calvary Baptist Church, Findlay, Ohio, October 4, the missionary offering for the day being more than five hundred dollars.

Rev. Kenneth H. Good of Hamburg, New York, conducts a Bible Conference in the church, November 15 to 20, and Rev. Mark Mitchell has been engaged for an evangelistic campaign to be conducted in February. The Rev. Vance Havner, D. D., has been scheduled to hold special meetings in the church September 26 to October 1, 1954.

Dr. T. Richard Dunham has now completed eighteen years of aggressive ministry as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Findlay, and during the past twelve years the message has been broadcast over the local radio. The progress of the church has been remarkable under the leadership of Dr. Dunham, and as these lines are written fifteen believers await baptism. The church recently came into the Baptist ranks from a non-denominational status.

The current of time carries us on inevitably to our destiny. No single moment can be relived except in memory.

CEDARVILLE BAPTIST COLLEGE

By JACK WILLETTS, Athletic Publicity Director

On the first of December the Blue and Gold of Cedarville Baptist College opened their intercollegiate basketball season with a game at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. This was a memorable event in the history of Cedarville Baptist College. Four days later on their own court the Yellow Jackets played host as they took the hardwood against Mountain State College of West Virginia.

The squad is composed largely of freshmen and sophomores. We cannot predict what to expect this year, but as Coach Underwood has

said we expect to grow stronger and stronger as the season grows older. With a little experience under their belts the quintette is going to be a pretty hard bunch to beat. The spirit of the team is high and the support of the student body is excellent as they stand behind and cheer on the boys to victory as they take to the boards.

Sentimentality is no sign of a warm heart. Nothing weeps more copiously than a block of ice. (Hall Dautel)



THE FALL RALLY



HUGE CROWD FACES SPEAKER

Four Hundred And Twenty Five Served At Banquet

The large auditorium of the High School building at Berea carried an audience of almost four hundred young people as Chairman Earl V. Willetts opened the afternoon service, Friday, November 27, and introduced the Rev. William Fusco, who conducted the musical program. Within a few minutes Mr. Fusco, supported by his talented wife at the piano, had the young folk singing lustily the well known choruses and favorite Gospel Hymns.

The speaker for the occasion was the Rev. John G. Balyo, newly installed pastor of The Hough Baptist Church who delivered a forceful message under the subject, "The Steering Wheel of Life." Mr. Balyo, in his characteristic way, provided considerable entertainment while producing an inspiring, heart-searching message from the Word.

The Banquet

At five o'clock the Rev. C. Douglas Burt was called upon for prayer after which the audience was directed to the huge auditorium of the Agricultural Building on the Cuyahoga Fair grounds. Four hundred and twenty five young folk surrounded the well decorated tables and ladies of the Berea Baptist Church were soon busy serving one of the most bountiful and tasty banquets ever set before the young people of this fellowship.

The Evening

At the evening service Pastor Balyo delivered a masterful message, his thought centering on Heaven one the one side, Hell on the other. It was graphic, thought provoking, and carried an appeal for salvation. At the close of the message many raised their hands for prayer, others pledged dedication of life, and some came forward for salvation. Mr. Balyo suggested that his message might be too "heavy" for the occasion, but at the close of the service it was the common thought that nothing could have been of greater value.

For the evening service many arrived who were not present during the afternoon and it was estimated that the audience numbered more than five hundred.

The Awards

Delegations were present from every part of the state, some in private cars, others in the church bus, and from the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo, came about fifty in a chartered Greyhound Bus.

Awards were presented for "delegation man-miles of travel," and for the "percentage of enrollment present." The award for "Man Miles" was carried away by the delegation from Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo, Rev. Reginald L. Matthews, pastor, and the award for "percentage" was taken home by Calvary Baptist Church, Canton, the Rev. Charles W. McKinney heading the 100% delegation. Mr. McKinney had every single member of his young people's organization at hand. (A fine pastor, doing a great work.)

The Music

We scarcely know what to say concerning the music. Mr. Fusco is the last word, also the first word, in organizing and handling music for such affairs. Among the special musical entries during the afternoon and evening, we recorded the following:

Male Quartet: Russell Gibson, Jack Willetts, Jack Jones and Jack Flenor, three of the boys from Calvary, Cleveland, and one from Berea Baptist Church. Vocal duet: Dale Thomson and William Albright, both of Trinity, Lorain, the boys accompanied by Vaughn Dunham, East Side, Lorain. Brass Trio: Rev. Robert L. Titus, Paul Titus, and Parks Davies, Immanuel Baptist Church, Columbus. Vocal Duet: Lois Jeremiah and Don Rouse, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Dayton. Accordion Solo: Barbara Wolf, Spencer Baptist Church. Violin Solo: Sue Jones, First Baptist Church, Niles. Brass Duet: Jerry Thornton and Ray Davall, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo. Vocal Solo: Ruth Hubble, Calvary Baptist Church, Cleveland. Mrs. Douglas Beason of Toledo presented a beautiful vocal number at the evening session. A delight to the audience was a girls Quartet from the Berea Baptist Church, composed of: Karen Fay, Sally Burke, Marcia Pincomb and Grace Willetts. The young

people's department of Ohio Association presents a musical program unexcelled by any such organization, many of the entries bordering on the professional.

Mr. Willetts

With the Fall Rally at Berea, the Rev. Willetts relinquished his post as Chairman of the Young People's Department, the Council of Ten having promoted him to a higher office during the annual meeting held in Portsmouth, Ohio.

Pastor Willetts made his entry into Ohio Association more than twenty years ago with the coming of Calvary Baptist Church, Bellefontaine, into the fellowship. From the hour of his coming he has been exceedingly active, never seeking office, but being chosen by the people. He has climbed round after round the ladder of popularity among the Regular Baptists of Ohio, until the "Royal Purple" now seems to rest upon his honored shoulders. He is Chairman of the Council of Ten, Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches; President of Ohio Regular Baptist Home and Camp; a Trustee of Cedarville Baptist College; on the Advisory Council of the Fellowship of Baptists For Home Missions; a member of the Ohio Council in Christian Missions; the Pastor of The Berea Baptist Church. Mr. Willetts neglects none of his responsibilities and his church is one of the most aggressive in the Fellowship. The moral support given by this beloved servant to this editor has been highly valued, and his advice has always been found sound and worthy of consideration.

Mr. Green

Now comes the Rev. William Howard Green to again head the Young People's Department. This pastor is qualified by experience, as he was the chairman of the department when CAMP PATMOS was opened in 1952.

Mr. Green is a man well liked by the young folk and has the happy faculty of being young with the young, while at the same time extending words of mature wisdom to the aged and those who are placed in positions of great

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Future Plans For Cedarville's Department of Speech

By DONALD ALLEN WAITE, *Chairman, Department of Speech*

Steps have been taken by the Cedarville Baptist College Department of Speech to enter into inter-collegiate participation in the field of forensics and debate, oratory, declamation, and oral interpretation with the Ohio Association of College Teachers of Speech. The OACTS, (Ohio Association of College Teachers of Speech), is interested in furthering the interests of the Speech profession in the state of Ohio and to accomplish this end has a very complete program of speech activities that the various Ohio colleges can enter. There are six events that Cedarville Speech Department feels can be profitably entered for this school year, 1953-54:

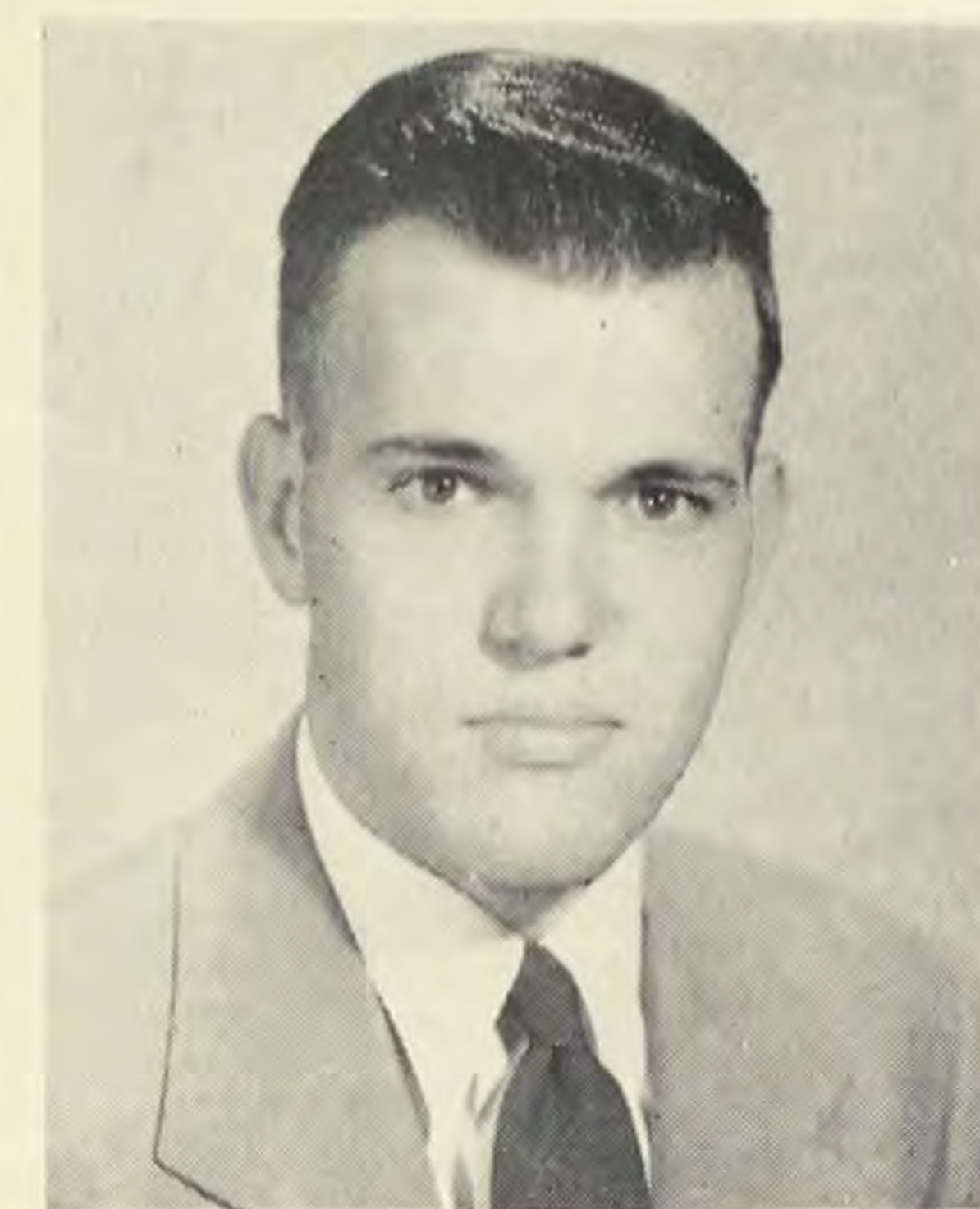
1. **THE WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL EVENTS CONTEST.** This will be held at Athens, Ohio on Friday and Saturday, February 19-20, 1954. The events include oratory, extemporaneous declamation and oral interpretation. Keys will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place individual winners plus a plaque to each of the winning colleges and universities represented.

2. **MEN'S INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE CONTEST.** This will be held at Columbus, Ohio on Friday and Saturday, February 26-27, 1954. It is for seasoned debaters.

3. **DISCUSSION CONFERENCE.** This will be held at Columbus, Ohio, on the Ohio State University campus on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, March 11-13, 1954. The discussion will be on the subject: "HOW CAN PRESENT PROCEDURES AND PRACTICES OF CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION BE IMPROVED?"

4. **MEN'S INDIVIDUAL EVENTS CONTEST.** This will be held at Bowling Green, Ohio on Friday and Saturday, March 19-20, 1954. The contests will include oratory, peace oratory, extemporaneous declamation and oral interpretation. Keys will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place individual winners plus a plaque to each of the winning colleges and universities represented.

5. **THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE TEACHERS OF SPEECH CONFERENCE.** This will be held at Columbus, Ohio, on April 2-3, 1954. The year's work will be reviewed and criticized with a view to making next year's events even better.



Donald Waite

6. **FIRST YEAR INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE CONTEST.** This will be held at Springfield, Ohio on Saturday, April 10, 1954. The contest will be open to first year debaters whether girls or boys.

By attendance at these conferences and contests, we in the department of speech believe that we can contribute something to the educational training of each boy and girl who participates that cannot be received in any other way. We further believe that the students in the fields of speech in our Ohio Colleges and Universities need to meet some genuine, old-fashioned, redeemed, happy believers in the Lord Jesus Christ. It will do them good to meet a few living specimens of that person who is the point of ridicule and disgust on the part of many of the college professors these days, that is, "the fundamental Christian." It is our sincere desire that our students may be radiant witnesses to their fellow students from other schools as they engage them in this sort of intercollegiate competition. By the very selection of materials, it will be possible to take our stand for Him Who took His stand for us. They will also meet up with samples of the good old-fashioned type of Americanism that used to adorn our great

United States before socialism and collectivism stepped into the driver's seat.

Because of our stand on the Living Word of God, the Lord Jesus Christ, and because of our stand on our constitutional republic that has been blessed by His hand for so many years, there will no doubt be many an eyebrow raised by sceptical judges, but should we tone down things we cling to merely in the presence of those who are in positions of power over us in this regard? Did Paul? Did the Lord Jesus? It is our sincere hope that each young person as he or she engages in these all-Ohio Intercollegiate Contests in Speech may profess "a good profession before many witnesses" (1 Tim. 6:12b) to the glory of Christ our Lord.

THE FALL RALLY

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responsibility.

Pastor Green will select the speakers, nurses, life guards and directors for Camp Patmos this year, also appointing a qualified person to handle the music. He will stand in need of the prayer support of the Fellowship and the help of those who are in position to serve.

The Rev. Green is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Gallipolis, Ohio, located in the extreme south portion of the state. He will be ably supported by the assistant pastor of the church, the Rev. Don Loomis.

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FLASHES FROM THE CHURCHES

About four hundred and fifty members and friends of the Hough Avenue Baptist Church, Cleveland, attended a reception honoring the Rev. John G. Balyo and family, Friday evening, November 6th.

Following prayer by Mr. C. D. Ewing, the Master of Ceremonies, Mr. Arthur G. Fetzer, presented Mr. George S. Milner who extended a welcome on behalf of the Church. Outside speakers included Rev. Allan E. Lewis and Rev. H. K. Finley.

Rev. and Mrs. Balyo responded to the addresses in a manner highly pleasing to the audience.

Special music was furnished by Mildred Carman and Kenneth Grigsby, accompanied by Betty Lou Ralston.

Following the formal session, refreshments were served in the dining hall, Mrs. George S. Milner, presiding.

If worry kills more people than work, it is because more people prefer to worry.

Evangelist Don Winters of Cambridge, Ohio, closed a very successful eight-day campaign in the Camden Baptist Church, Kipton, Ohio, November 22nd. Seven made profession of faith and the work was definitely stimulated. This was the second time that Evangelist Winters has been called to serve at the location. (Don Winters is always invited back.)

Mrs. Albert Thornberg, representing the Brown Street Baptist Church, Akron, Ohio, of which Rev. Dean Henry is pastor, reports that the membership enjoyed the ministry of Dr. W. E. Peitsch of Waterloo, Iowa, as a special speaker. The church recently closed a highly profitable missionary conference, with six representative speakers, for Mid-Missions, Association of Baptists For World Evangelism, and the Cleveland Hebrew Mission.

The correspondent makes note of the dual ordination of David Fisher and James W. Wright, reported in a previous issue.

Holiness vanishes when we talk about it, but becomes gloriously conspicuous when we live it.

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GIFTS TO HOME AND CAMP

(Contributions to date)

NOTE: Black face type indicates \$2.00 per member

Rev. R. W. Howell, Struthers	\$ 40.00
Struthers Baptist Tabernacle, Struthers	275.00
Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Mohler, Struthers	50.00
Trinity Baptist Church, Lorain	402.48
Pastor and Mrs. Elton C. Hukill, Lorain	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Greenwood, Lorain	10.00
Penfield Junction Baptist Church, Lorain	618.77
Mr. Ray Jackson, Lorain	40.00
East Side Baptist Church, Lorain	354.07
Mr. Henry Streckenberg, Lorain	5.00
Miss Helen Riley, Lorain	5.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Norwalk	359.00
Memorial Baptist Church, Columbus	950.36
Memorial Baptist Church, Columbus—HOME ONLY	125.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Columbus	175.42
Clintonville Baptist Church, Columbus	625.48
Central Baptist Church, Columbus	193.32
Fostoria Baptist Church, Fostoria	549.01
Fostoria Baptist Church, Fostoria—HOME ONLY	50.00
Pioneer Baptist Church, North Royalton	468.50
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Edgerton, North Royalton—MEMORIAL	100.00
Mr. H. O. Dunning, North Royalton	5.00
Ohio Association—General Fund	84.09
Ohio Association—Women's Missionary Union	175.00
Ohio Association—Young People's Department	1,709.63
Bethel Association—South	14.76
Bethel Association—North	26.31
Hebron Association—Young People's Department	1,151.00
Hebron Association—General Fund	55.77
Moriah Association	17.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo	1,063.55
Rev. and Mrs. Reginald L. Matthews, Toledo	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Amsden, Toledo	20.00
Mr. Elsen Rawsen, Toledo	75.00
Miss Myrna Lothian, Toledo	5.00
Mrs. Burmet, Toledo	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Stinehart, Toledo	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Seewer, Toledo	7.00
Lewis Avenue Baptist Church, Toledo	120.00
New Harmony Baptist Church, South Olive	263.50
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Dayton	368.28
Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Buscher, Bellefontaine	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Millner, Bellefontaine	22.00
First Regular Baptist Church, Bellefontaine	119.04
First Regular Baptist Church, Bellefontaine—MEMORIAL	5.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Bellefontaine	358.00
Anonymous Gift From Bellefontaine	5.00
Ambrose Baptist Church, Fayette	207.97
Berea Baptist Church, Berea	717.05
First Baptist Church, Elyria	1,004.04
H. K. Finley, Elyria	100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Cleveland	531.50
Rev. and Mrs. George R. Gibson, Cleveland	5.00
Faith Baptist Church, Cleveland	15.00
Nottingham Baptist Church, Cleveland	359.25
Brookside Baptist Church, Cleveland	559.90
Hough Baptist Church, Cleveland	1,086.00
Bethlehem Baptist Church, Cleveland	244.00
Hayden Avenue Baptist Church, Cleveland	50.00
Independent Baptist Church, North Jackson	160.00
Bible Baptist Church, Bedford	160.00
First Baptist Church, Medina	480.00
Camden Baptist Church, Kipton	299.50
Mrs. Tena Kothe, Kipton	5.00
Norton Center Baptist Church, Barberton	51.00

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GIFTS TO HOME AND CAMP (Continued)

Northfield Center Baptist Church, Northfield Center	115.69
First Baptist Church, Niles	575.00
Mr. and Mrs. William K. Titus	9.00
Evansville Baptist Church, Niles	165.96
Beebetown Baptist Church, Brunswick	105.91
First Baptist Church, Findlay	41.83
First Baptist Church, Galion	288.00
Northside Baptist Church, Lima	202.00
Bible Mission Baptist Church, Dresden	15.24
Mr. James T. Shaw, Dresden	15.00
Salt Fork Baptist Church, Quaker City	6.08
First Baptist Church, La Grange	335.00
First Baptist Church, Blanchester	10.00
First Baptist Church, Spencer	419.58
Grace Baptist Church, Troy	204.00
First Baptist Church, Wellington	183.00
Dr. and Mrs. Howard G. Young, Wellington	22.00
First Baptist Church, Bowling Green	435.00
First Baptist Church, Gallipolis	985.37
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Xenia	11.26
Bethel Baptist Church, Erie	6.00
Miss Edna Gillis, Erie	2.50
Immanuel Baptist Church, Arcanum	10.00
Maranatha Baptist Church, Springfield	4.00
Rev. John D. Street, Springfield	2.00
Blessed Hope Baptist Church, Springfield	120.00
Avon Baptist Church, Avon	77.47
First Baptist Church, McDonald	244.24
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Molin, McDonald	5.00
New Richland Baptist Church, Belle Center	128.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Sandusky	127.69
First Baptist Church, New London	156.00
Faith Baptist Church, Amherst	57.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Canton	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Rocky River	30.00
Mr. and Mrs. John Treveen, Rocky River	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hughes, Rocky River	15.00
Christian Baptist Church, Coshocton	5.00
Rev. and Mrs. Walter Young, Coshocton	10.00
First Baptist Church, Wauseon	66.36
Miss Mary Barnes, Wauseon	10.00
Lakeland Baptist Church, Euclid	50.00
Berean Baptist Church, Youngstown	18.00
Mrs. Helen Rockwell, New York City	5.00
A Former Pastor	5.00
A Friend	10.00
Rev. and Mrs. Walter Keisler, Huntington	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Siler, Washington Court House	100.00
Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Perkins, Ypsilanti	10.00
Evangelist Don Winters, Cambridge	110.00
Rev. and Mrs. Bernard Bancroft, Manila, P. I.	5.00
Mr. Edward G. Allen, Willoughby—MEMORIAL	50.00
Rev. and Mrs. Emil Halverson, Brazil	10.00
Anonymous	24.75
Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Blessing, Charleston	25.00
Rev. and Mrs. Wilbur C. Rooke, Charleston	10.00
Rev. and Mrs. Wesley F. Dissette, Maywood, Illinois	15.00
Baptist Bible Seminary, Johnson City—Ohio Students	2.00
Dewey Lumber Company, Sandusky	500.00
Rev. Thomas Buell, Brandsville, Missouri	2.50
Offering at Camp, 1952	120.75
Offering at Camp, 1953	311.22
Trustees of Home and Camp	16.00
Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bryant, Columbus	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. William J. Howdyshell, Pickerington	20.00

NOVEMBER

First Baptist Church, Medina	\$100.00
First Baptist Church, Niles	100.00

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FLASHES FROM THE CHURCHES

(Continued)

The Rev. Clayton J. Bates, pastor of the Fairfield Baptist Church, Thurston, Ohio, reports ten professions of faith, and five life dedications, also several restorations at a two weeks revival service which closed Sunday, November 15. The church at Thurston is rapidly going forward under the effective ministry of Pastor Bates.

Rev. J. Irving Reese says: "When the church goes to the people, it has the people coming to the church."

In the Trinity Baptist Church, Lorain, a highly successful evangelistic meeting was held between November 2 and November 16, with the Rev. Lloyd Morris of the Baptist Missionary Church, La Porte, Indiana, presenting the messages. The Rev. Elton C. Hukill, pastor of the church, states that large audiences were at hand throughout the series of meetings, and that six persons made definite profession of faith, eight believers uniting with the church. Mrs. Howard Northam presided at the piano and the church choir was supported by many talented people who contributed special numbers.

The Trinity Baptist Church has outgrown its quarters and a contract is now being signed for the new building at the same location, work to begin in the early spring.

On Sunday, November 24, Rev. C. C. Clawson completed eight years as pastor of Memorial Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio. During this period he has been privileged to baptize 162. This date also marked the completion of his 31 years as a pastor, and 48 years in Christian work.

The Cheerful Gleaners Class of the Memorial Baptist Church, recently sent 47 dozen home-made cookies to the students at Cedarville Baptist College. Ladies of the church have also sent new pictures and lamps to help make the Ladies' Parlor at Cedarville more cheerful.

The Fundamental churches of Columbus joined in a union Thanksgiving Service, held in Myland Memorial Church. The Rev. Cyril L. Carden of Clintonville Baptist Church, delivered the message.

(Elisabeth Clawson)

GIFTS TO HOME AND CAMP (Continued)

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo	37.50
Trinity Baptist Church, Lorain	17.75
First Baptist Church, Gallipolis	15.00
Evansville Baptist Church	11.00
First Baptist Church, McDonald	10.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Bellefontaine	10.00
Penfield Junction Baptist Church, Lorain	10.00
Berea Baptist Church, Berea	10.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Cleveland	10.00
Independent Baptist Church, North Jackson	5.00

THE BRIEF CASE

According to our understanding the name of the Hough Avenue Baptist Church is in the process of being changed to "*The Hough Baptist Church*." The change is desirable since the church may not be permanently located on Hough Avenue.

Some enjoy religion; others just endure it.

Cedarville Baptist College has procured the services of Professor John Reno, who will teach science. Mr. Reno has had many years of teaching experience and has done graduate work both in Physical and biological sciences.

The work of God is not built by the use of stumbling-stones

The Laymen's League, recently organized by Mr. Henry A. Hunsicker and associates, will hereafter be known as—THE MEN'S LEAGUE OF REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES. This change was deemed necessary for proper identification and is a wise move on the part of the promoters. The league is preparing copies of the constitution, by-laws, and "How-To-Do-It" for distribution. The league will furnish tracts to interested people. Address: Brecksville, Ohio.

There should always be a fine spiritual relationship between the one who is saved and the one who led him to Christ. 1 Peter 5:13

Longfellow could take a worthless sheet of paper, write a poem on it and make it worth \$6,000.00. That is genius.

Rockefeller could sign his name on a piece of paper and make it worth millions. That is business.

Uncle Sam can take a paper,

stamp a design on it and we call it money. That is government.

A craftsman can take material worth little, and make from it an article of value. That is skill.

God takes a worthless, sinful life, washes it with the blood of Christ, and makes it a blessing to humanity. That is Grace—Salvation.

The Bible has more to say about praise than about prayer, but there are but few praise meetings.

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It was the editor's recent privilege to speak in the Brookside Baptist Church, Cleveland; Northside Baptist Church, Lima; Pioneer Baptist Church, North Royalton, and at receptions in the Hough Baptist Church and Brookside Baptist Church, Cleveland.

Rev. Hall Dautel says: "Nobody ever got hurt on the corners of a square deal."

FLOYD DAVIS ORDAINED

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held in the afternoon of the date named, Rev. Arthur F. Jones of Niles served as Moderator, Rev. Earl Welsh of Struthers, Clerk. The candidate was recommended for ordination by unanimous vote of all delegates.

At the formal ordination service held in the evening of the same day, Rev. Paul Kirkman of Evansville presided. The Rev. Arthur Grayden read the Scriptures, followed by an excellent Ordination Sermon presented by Rev. Arthur F. Jones. Rev. Andrew Marsteller extended the Hand of Fellowship; Rev. Allen Cherry of Sharon, offered the Ordination Prayer; Rev. Dean Henry of Akron, gave Charge to the Candidate, and Rev. Vernon Billington of Barberton, gave Charge to the Church.

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Evangelism has been the emphasis at B.B.S. especially during the past few weeks. Rev. Joseph McCaba of Christian Missions was used of the Lord to bring some vital world needs to the attention of the Seminary, and then Dr. Powell of Tacoma, Washington began his ministry with First Baptist, in Johnson City and occupied the chapel pulpit during the mornings. His ministry was greatly appreciated in its illustrative and challenging aspects. He will long be remembered for his words: "God uttered Himself Sonwise, and Jesus Christ walked the earth."

Students and faculty members have been "redeeming the time" in the great number of opportunities for practical testimony. Excellent travel facilities enable faculty members to minister hundreds of miles away from Johnson City, a suburb of Binghamton, and not miss classes Monday morning. Some engagements have already been scheduled for Michigan and Virginia. Students fill numerous preaching appointments in churches and preach in jails, missions, street meetings, etc. Others teach Bible clubs, Sunday School classes, and many occupy a place in a music group as an avenue of ministering the truth. Every Monday the students take charge of chapel to tell of the great things God has done through their work.

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WHAT CAN I DO?

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In previous articles I have written concerning the things that I could

suggest in answer to the question "What can I do?" I mentioned the fact that you can do the greatest service for your missionaries by remembering them in prayer. I have also mentioned some of the material needs that you can meet in the medical work on the mission field. There are some other material needs of which I will write at a future date but I feel that there is something else that you can do that will be greatly appreciated by your missionaries.

A Need That is not Mentioned

This has to do with something which does not lie in the material realm. This is a need which most missionaries dare not mention either in the pulpit or in conversation with their prayer helpers and members of their supporting churches. This answer to the question "What can I do?" is "Please endeavor to understand your missionary." I must admit that this may be a difficult task at times for missionaries are peculiar people. However we must realize that sometimes these peculiarities are the result of situations in which a missionary is placed and conditions under which he must live. Please bear with me as I try to explain what I mean by these statements.

The Missionary's Responsibility To God and Man

First of all a missionary must be very concerned about his stewardship to the One who has called him. Secondly he must be concerned about his conduct and his business so that he will not offend the ones on whom he is depending for prayer and financial support. Many times the missionary finds himself in a dilemma trying to do that which he knows is pleasing to God and taking into consideration that he may be misunderstood by those whose esteem he values. We, of course, realize that the pastor has this same problem, but it is multiplied for the missionary because he has contact with not one, but many congregations.

Criticism of the Missionary

Being a missionary and an office staff member at the same time I have received criticisms of many kinds concerning my fellow missionaries. I must admit that many of these criticisms are justified but many others are simply the result of lack of information and understanding.

Missionaries are often criticized for leaving their children at home while they go to the field. Permit me to say that of all the things a missionary is called upon to do this is the most difficult. Missionary parents are very human and they love their children. Because they know of many sad cases of missionary children deserting the faith and turning out "bad" they have a greater battle and it is most difficult for them to leave their children behind. Even after many hours of prayer and after winning the victory the missionary leaves with a heavy heart. Remember though that this a personal matter and one that must be settled between the individual and his Lord, and the Lord gives the necessary grace when it is needed.

Recently criticism has come to me because our missionaries are building cement and burned brick buildings. An individual had been told that a house could be built in the tropics for as little as thirty dollars. Why were we spending so much money on permanent buildings? This person did not know that the mission that was building thirty dollar buildings had been denied future land concessions by the colonial government and had lost some of the land which had already been granted to them. Many of our mission stations are built on land which has been given by the government with the stipulation that the land must be developed and that buildings must be erected according to standards set by the government. If the land is developed and the proper buildings are erected in a specified time permanent title is granted, if not the title is refused. Aside from all that, in the long run the thirty dollar house would be the most expensive for it would have to be built every year and the health of the occupants would be endangered because of the poorly

constructed building. There are many reasons for building well constructed and comfortable permanent houses.

"The Missionary has a New Car"

Recently a pastor friend of mine severely criticised one of my fellow missionaries because a new car, one that was in a higher price range than the one this pastor was driving. Fortunately the circumstances were known to me so that I could discuss the matter intelligently. The pastor admitted that he covered less mileage in one year than the missionary had driven in the three months he had had his car. The missionary had paid a very nominal price for the "higher priced car" because a deacon in one of his supporting churches had given him "a real break." Then the pastor saw how unreasonable his criticism was and admitted that it cost much less to operate a new car than an old jalopy.

On some of our fields it is possible to take a car to the field, drive it for four years, and then sell it for the price of a new car in the United States. I personally know of at least one missionary who could have had a new car as a gift but refused it because he realized that he would be misunderstood by the members of the churches in which he would speak. Remember that the missionary is interested in having a means, and the cheapest means, of transportation so that he can visit the churches to tell them what God has done on his field. He is anxious to do this in order to enlist your interest and your prayers in the work to which we are all called as laborers together in the spreading of the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ throughout the world.

GOD'S WORD SAYS. . . .

"Beloved if God so loved us we ought also to love one another." I John 4:11. Let us then in Christian love try to understand our missionaries and pray for them that they might be found always "with good will doing service as to the Lord and not to men." (Eph. 6:7).

BAPTISTS ARE FREE THINKERS

(EDITORIAL)

Baptists are free thinkers—they have always been so.

When associated with the "Convention," they were required to send mission money to the general treasury to be disbursed by the "board." They resented this!

Following the revolt against the practice, and before the actual separation, the independent-minded Baptist Churches began to support non-Baptist work, which provided the only avenue open. After the formation of sound Baptist projects, many of the Regular Baptist Churches continued to support the non-Baptist work with a portion of the missionary money. The reason for this, as expressed to this editor by several representative persons, is—"We have always supported that work."

Then, following out this reasoning, we find that some churches and individual contributors, select certain approved work, sending to such every dollar of missionary money, making no provision for expansion projects, or special needs. Such procedure, while basically sound, robs the contributors of new incentive and wider missionary zeal. In fact, some churches have set up a budget which disposes of every single dollar of missionary money, virtually prohibiting the congregation, as such, from supporting anything apart therefrom.

Baptists are free thinkers—they have always been so. Nevertheless, Baptists many times follow the human tendency to enter a rut and follow along, simply because, "We have always done it that way." Off the beaten path, and outside the rut, we point to pioneer work being done by Regular Baptists:

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This is the school which reaches colored people of Greater Cleveland, Ohio. It has an enrollment of more than 200 students, many of whom are pastors of colored Baptist Churches. Through the ministry of these pastors and students, the reach of the work cannot be over-estimated.

The large building is being purchased by the colored people, and these also meet maintenance costs, apart from support of the Rev. Donald E. Douglass, director, and associates. We do not appeal for funds to finance the purchase of property, but funds are needed to support the workers, four in number. Contributions should be designated, "For Missionary Personnel." This is one of the most fruitful of the Regular Baptist projects. Address: 13407 Kinsman Road, Cleveland 20, Ohio.

Camp Patmos

Here is another field of endeavor, off the beaten path. *Camp Patmos* identifies a property on Kelleys Island, purchased by Ohio Association of Regular Baptist

Churches, for service among young people during the summer months. The association owes exactly \$16,700.00 on the property and deserves regular contributions from affiliated churches. Many of the churches have been WONDERFUL in support of this project. Address: Rev. Elton C. Hukill, 2029 East 30th Street, Lorain, Ohio.

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The Magazine

The Ohio Independent Baptist endeavors to support the missionary program of the association and to promote its worthy projects. The magazine is furnished to readers below cost and support given by the churches and is deeply appreciated.

BULLETIN

Rev. and Mrs. Rodney Knicely of the Bible Mission Baptist Church, Dresden, Ohio, of which Rev. Llewellyn Thompson is the pastor, entered Mexico as missionaries on November 26. Their field address is "Apartment 181, Cuauhtemoc, Chih, Mexico."

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Remember the old woman in the shoe? That is the way I feel when it comes to buying maunds and maunds (80 pounds in a maund) of rice and yards and yards of material for shirts and trousers for the boys in the hostel. There are things which try one's patience such as the time when one boy was found pouring cooking oil through the kerosene funnel! However they are nice boys and I think you would love them if you could see them. Some of these have great potentialities. Pray that each one will accept Christ as his personal Saviour from sin and become a real witness in this dark land.

It seems that sometimes we are asked to do a work which is far beyond us. But then we have to depend on the Lord more and that is what He wants us to do. I am thinking of the school work which I have undertaken. Imagine having charge of a school which is conducted in a language you do not know! There are Bengalis, Kabuis, Kukis, and Manipuris in the school. Most of them understand Manipuri which is the language I studied so I am not altogether in the dark. At the end of the year we will need a new teacher. It is not easy to find a good Christian and one who is interested in teaching. Pray for our



"Connie"

school that it may be a choice one for the Lord's glory.

"THE SEED IS THE WORD OF GOD." During our school holidays I had the privilege of sowing the Seed again amongst the Manipuris at Dharmanagar. The most encouragement I found on that visit was that the children remembered the scripture verses I taught them six months ago when I was living at Dharmanagar.

One visitor said, "What you need is a Manipuri to go into every neighborhood where there are Manipuris and advertise." I said,

"Why don't you be that one?" But it is the same old story. "If I believe openly my parents will disown me. Where will my food and clothing come from?" I tell him not to worry because if he believes in Jesus he will become God's child and can pray to God his Father about his needs. Even if he must suffer in this life because of his faith in Christ, his spirit will be happy forever. Typical answers when I ask if their sins are forgiven are, "I don't know. God knows." and "If I become a Christian how will I know my sins are forgiven? Will there be some kind of sign?" We are praying that ten households will accept Christ before Christmas. Will you join us in prayer?

We had our annual field conference where the work for the coming year was planned. Now it is our duty to pray that all these things may be accomplished.

May the real joy of the Christmas Season be yours throughout the New Year.

P. S. Perhaps I will see you in 1954!

LOVING CUPS

At the Fall Rally of young people, Ohio Association, held at Berea, Ohio, Friday, November 27, Chairman Willetts presented two Loving Cups to Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo, and Calvary Baptist Church, Canton, respectively. We now learn that these beautiful gifts were provided by Mr. Robert Kern, a jeweler of Berea, who is a member of the Berea Baptist Church. A gracious and deeply appreciated service!



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I DO NOT CHOOSE TO RUN—IN 1953

This is the year of the Presidential election in the Philippines. Politics is the most important business of the day. Every action and utterance of the important leaders is carefully observed and weighed for its political meaning. The laws which are being passed by the Philippine Senate and Congress have been framed with a definite view to their vote-attracting power. The shanty-dwellers, the tenant-farmers, the laborers, miners, sugar-lumber-abaca-workers are wooed by charming promises, and wrestled over by charge and counter-charge of neglect and corruption. The United States Ambassador and every member of his considerable staff walked softly, being cautious in extending greetings, well-wishes, or social invitations, for every such gesture was seized upon and proclaimed abroad as indicating American bias in favor of one party or the other.

There were three major party divisions presenting Presidential candidates and party platforms, and all are vigorous in pressing claims of merit and in exposing and denouncing the opposing groups. It was just a bit bewildering to note that all three of the candidates, Liberal, Nationalista, and Democratic, were, or have been until the campaign began, members of the Liberal Party. President Elpidio Quirino, Liberal candidate for re-election, was originally elected as Vice-President under President Manuel A. Roxas, who died soon after taking office. He is now serving a second term, to which he was elected in his own name.

The Nacionalista candidate was Ramon Magsaysay, who until recently was Secretary of National Defense in President Quirino's Cabinet, and who was given local and international prominence by his leadership of campaigns which broke up the growing power of the Communist Hukbalahaps in the rural and mountainous areas of the Philippines, and by the thorough overhaul of the Philippine Army and Constabulary. He resigned not long ago, charging corruption and obstruction, and was heartily received and named as Presidential candidate by the Nacionalista Party, which has been out of power since Manuel A. Roxas defeated President Sergio Osmena, and is understandably anxious to return.

The Liberal Party Convention was held well after the Nacionalista session, and there a lively personality new to top-ranking Philippine political scenes entered the contest. Carlos P. Romulo, Philippine Ambassador to the United States, and United Nations Del-

egate from the Philippines, tossed his hat into the ring, endeavoring to replace President Quirino as Liberal Party Candidate. Careful maneuvering kept him from any real threat to the President's nomination, and he walked out of the Liberal Party with a sizeable following, to found the Democratic Party, its platform consisting generally of "It's time for a change!"

This recital is given simply to increase your fund of information about this nation in which we serve Christ. We rejoice in the liberties we enjoy here in the Gospel's proclamation. Otherwise, we have no part nor interest in local political struggles, except to observe their importance and effect in the lives of those with whom we live and work. Amid the storm and strife of opposing voices, pleas and promises, the whirl of party intrigues and shifting of loyalties, it is blessed to have one clear glad glorious message to proclaim, and to have committed our heart loyalty forever to one perfect holy Master, the Lord Jesus Christ.

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The time has come for the Chandlers to sail. Our goods were shipped from Brooklyn on October 30th and will land in Kobe, Japan on January 17. We will leave (D. V.) on November 30 from Galveston, Texas and should land in Japan near Christmas time.

Our goods will take much longer in travel because they are going by way of the Suez Canal while we are going through the Panama Canal.

The last few days are hectic ones. I wonder if it is always like this when missionaries set sail. Instead of sailing from a port near home we have to go all the way to Texas. I thought the Army and Navy were the only ones who did things like this.

I find it hard to get much packing or writing done. My "shots" are just taking effect. Because of my western trip last summer and subsequent sickness I delayed getting my "shots" when the rest of the family got theirs. A couple of days ago the doctor gave me my last typhoid shot and the smallpox inoculation at the same time. The smallpox arm itches and the diphtheria arm is sore.

Our passports and visas are now in hand. When we went to New York City last week to see the Japanese Consulate we found the Japanese girl at the issuing desk to be a graduate of Shelton College. She knew one of our references, a Japanese student we met while at Faith Seminary. We were able to get our visas in excellent time.

We are driving our "41 Chevy" to Galveston and plan to sell it before getting abroad ship. We did not know anyone in Galveston and were afraid that we might run into trouble with the car. I finally sent a letter to the "Chevrolet garage nearest the center of Galveston." An answer came air mail from the Dow Chevrolet garage giving me the name of a friend of Mr. Dow. The name he gave was that of a pastor in Galveston who would be glad to help us sell the car in case we could not sell it before sailing. The name of the pastor sounded familiar and when I told my wife about it she said that her former pastor's best friend was a son of the pastor in Galveston. Not only that, but Marianne's former pastor held a series of meetings in the church down there. The Lord knew all about our need!

There is much to do, but when things such as the above come to pass it makes the packing easier.

At this time next month we should be very near Japan. As a matter of fact, when you read this we should be pulling into Yokohama, Japan for our first glimpse at our new home.

We do not have a house in Kagashima yet, so we would ap-

preciate your continued prayers that the Lord might soon provide a place to settle.

Miss Elaine Potter of Ithaca, New York will be sailing with us, and I trust that you will have an opportunity to meet her soon here on the pages of the O. I. B. We are very happy that the Lord has given us such fine co-laborers, and trust that you learn to know them and love them as we do. It makes the job of intercession so much more effective when you know those for whom God has given you the privilege of prayer, and I trust you may soon come to know all the missionaries in Kagashima, our home town.

When we think of the ship, we think of six people—three adults and three children—lined up at the rail of the ship. They are not saying farewell. Their faces are white and the waves are high. There is no land in sight. If seasickness is 95% in the mind, we do hope that only 5% of it gets below the "Adam's apple" of the above six people.

Tomorrow, November 21st, we head for Galveston, Texas with our "41 Chevy" and a rented trailer to start our 10,000 mile journey.

See you in the next issue.

WHERE NEXT?

We have been in touch with the Rev. E. V. Willetts and find that no invitation has been received, inviting Ohio Association for the next annual meeting. *That is very unusual.*

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DEDICATION OF SACRED TORAH

Some time ago we noticed an article in one of our St. Louis newspapers entitled: "Old Torah, Buried in Nazi Invasion, Being Restored Here." The article went on to say that this particular scroll of the Torah (first five books of the Old Testament) was highly venerated by the Jewish people, being 80 years old and used by Rabbi Pesach Safransky and his congregation in pre-Hitler days in a suburb of Kaunas, the capital of Lithuania, which is now Soviet territory.

When Hitler invaded that area, his henchmen began the extinction of the Jews by first burning their sacred scrolls and synagogues, killing the Jews who tried to escape, and transporting the captured ones to the concentration camps of Germany.

Preservation of the Scroll

Rabbi Safransky realized the imminent danger in which he and his people were; yet in spite of this he had such a great concern for the sacred scroll of the Torah that one dark night he and several of his people took the scroll and buried it in a grave near Kaunas. This effort to preserve the holy scroll cost the lives of 36 Jewish people including the rabbi's own wife and four children. He himself was shot in the foot by the Nazis as he fled in the darkness and was later captured and placed in the infamous Dachau concentration camp where he spent the war years. He was liberated by the American forces in 1945 and in 1948 returned to his home city and dug up the scroll which he brought with him when he came to St. Louis under the Joint Distribution Committee program. Safransky was the only rabbi among the more than 1800 displaced persons who came to the St. Louis area since the war ended.

The scroll had been badly damaged because of its six-year burial and has cost a lot in time and money to be put back into usable condition. It is one of only 8 or 10 such "Holy Torahs" that escaped being destroyed by the Nazis, who burned about 700,000 of

them during the years of 1942-45.

Strange to say, this particular scroll was placed on display in a Hebrew School near our Mission and recently another article appeared in the newspaper announcing that a parade and special service would be held on a Sunday afternoon to dedicate the scroll. I decided that this would be an excellent opportunity to see the scroll and also to witness the parade and the service.

Parade and Dedication Service

The parade was to begin at 5:00 P.M., and I arrived a few minutes early, entered the school and met the rabbi in charge of the scroll who permitted me a glimpse of it before placing the cover over it in preparation for the parade. I then walked outside to wait for the parade to begin.

Now, one would think that for such an important event as this a great number of the Jewish people would be present, for the following invitation had been widely distributed:

"SEYOM HA-TORAH

Jews are gathering from every corner of St. Louis to dedicate a sacred Torah at 1428 Blackstone Avenue. Men sacrificed their lives to save it from Hitler. Can you and I do less than sacrifice a few hours to dedicate ourselves to its glorious teachings and thereby to permanent peace and happiness for us all. Does any Jew dare to miss this event of Torah dedication."

But now let us look at the "crowd": a colored Legion band, a small group of children from the Hebrew School (about 25) to take part in the parade, and less than 500 people assembled for the ceremonies. This small number out of more than 100,000 of the Jewish people in this area—what a pitiful representation!

After about an hour of waiting, the rabbis came out of the school

and assembled on the steps. The young rabbi carrying the scroll was the same one who came to our street meeting one night last year. Four others, two on either side, lifted a bright blue canopy over the rabbi carrying the scroll and they then marched to their places behind the colors which were to lead the parade, while a cantor (Jewish singer) sang a song in Hebrew.

The synagogue where the service was to take place was less than a block away so the parade was short. The rabbi carrying the scroll and his escort stopped in front of the entrance and then the master of ceremonies stepped to the microphone and tried to get the attention of the people for the first speaker.

"Empty Ceremonies"

I wish it were possible to convey to you this ceremony in its entirety—to be able to show you the lack of interest, the terrible indifference which these people manifested toward this service held in behalf of this portion of God's Holy Word for which many of their own people gave their lives.

The people began to leave gradually and when the time came for the bidding for the privilege of carrying the scroll into the synagogue for the final service, less than half the crowd remained. A Jewish man who had been sitting across the street made the highest bid (\$25.00) and we then entered the synagogue with the few people who had remained. There were now only a little over a hundred and these would hardly remain quiet enough for the speakers to be heard but were constantly carrying on private conversations among themselves. Several times the speakers had to stop and ask for attention.

A ceremony such as this only tends to show how ignorant of God and His Word these poor blinded people are. Oh, the emptiness of it all and how little God is recognized in what they do—just ceremonies with no reality and no real heart interest.



THE BIBLE BOX

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Paul was moved to outline the principles of a normal Christian experience in (Rom. 1:16-18),

and it is proper that such instruction should be provided at the threshold of the first epistle in the canon of church truth. The witness is 3-fold

I. He was Bold—"I am not ashamed"

As a child of fallen Adam our inheritance is shame, hear his confession at the occasion of the fall (Gen. 3:10) "I was afraid—naked, and I hid myself." Compassionate Deity clothed Adam with the skin of a slain substitute and Adam's shame was covered. Later the prophet was moved to issue this warning to all men concerning the issue of eternal destiny, (Dan. 12:2) "Them that sleep—shall awake some to everlasting life, and some to everlasting shame and contempt."

Paul was unashamed because like Adam he was clothed in garments of grace and he shouted this encouragement to other men, (Rom 10:11) "Whosoever believeth on

him shall not be ashamed." His boldness was stimulated by a second fact

II. He was Blessed—(V. 17) "The righteousness of God is revealed."

Flesh born man is destitute of righteousness a fact made plain by such references as (Isa. 64:6) (Rom. 3:10). Fallen man became the object of Divine concern even as the hymn writer stated the matter in this line, "He saw me plunged in deep distress and flew to my relief." It was the mission of Jesus to bring into the realm of unrighteous existence a righteousness consistent with eternal citizenship. It was necessary for Him to "be made sin for us that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." Paul's boldness was stimulated by reason of this truth but his whole mien was governed by a third emotion

III. He was Burdened—(V. 18) "The wrath of God is revealed."

One fortunate enough to become partaker of Divine righteousness cannot remain indifferent to the unrighteousness of his fellow humans. Paul could wish himself accursed from God for his countrymen according to the flesh; or he would confess to Corinth "The love of Christ constraineth us because we thus judge that if one died for all then were all dead."

In this very world at this very moment there is manifest a two-fold revelation even the righteousness of God, and the wrath of God. Our Lord sustained the fact by the content of his statement in (John 3:36). Thus the normal Christian experience is clearly set forth and consists of boldness a result of being blessed with righteousness, but governed by a burden for the mass of humans under wrath and destined for doom.

KEEP IT UP

The Rev. George O'Keefe, newly installed pastor of the Brookside Baptist Church, Cleveland, says: "That old proverb, 'what goes up must come down,' isn't always so. Our Sunday School attendance is going up higher every week and we don't expect it to come down."

PASTOR HUKILL AND WIFE ESCAPE INJURY

Car Demolished

The Rev. Elton C. Hukill pronounced the benediction at the Trinity Baptist Church, Sunday evening, November 29, and at 9:45 Mr. and Mrs. Hukill, accompanied by Harold Hukill, Dale Thompson, Jack Willetts, Carol Wilson and Gail Smith, students, started for Cedarville Baptist College, arriving at the school about 2:30 A. M.

After unloading the students at the dormitories, Mr. and Mrs. Hukill headed for Wauseon, Ohio, for a two-day visit, where the pastor planned to join Mr. Kenneth Quillett and other friends on a hunting trip. At 7:00 A.M., Mrs. Hukill behind the wheel, the car left the road, due to slippery pavement, crashed into a bank, turned on its side and skidded for a considerable distance. In describing the accident Mr. Hukill reported that in spite of the heavy damage done to the car, neither occupant was injured and that his hat remained at a proper angle on the top of his head. We asked the pastor whether or not he carried a "St. Christopher" in his car and he advised that no such emblem was in the car, nor had the occupants received the blessing of the local priest before starting the journey. Said he: "Our deliverance was due to the grace of God."

On Tuesday, December 1, Mr. Hukill sold his car to a garage in Wauseon, and on the same date the insurance company made settlement for damage, and at 11:00 P.M. on the same date The Rev. and Mrs. Elton C. Hukill arrived at their home in Lorain with a new, shiny, Chevrolet, green body with a light cream top, and everybody is happy and praising our Lord for his nearness in the hour of danger.

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Dr. Arthur F. Williams was the speaker and his morning message stressed the fact that the Christian owes a debt to God for His goodness in supplying our every need. The speaker pointed to the GREAT gift, the Lord Jesus Christ. He also emphasized our debt to generations past for civil and religious liberties.

Special music was furnished by the Quartet of Cedarville Baptist College, composed of Harold House, Glen Saunders, Jack Willetts and Dale Thomson, accompanied by Miss Shirley Shirley.

The group was entertained for dinner by members of the Gleaners Class, assisted by members of the Young People's Class.

ORDINATION AT LIMA

A council of churches was called by the Immanuel Baptist Church, Arcanum, Ohio for Thursday afternoon, October 29, for the examination of Donald Worch, a member of the church.

The Rev. James T. Jeremiah of Dayton served as Moderator and the Rev. Charles E. Spaulding, Lima, as Clerk. The examination was very satisfactory and the council recommended ordination to the church.

The impressive ordination service was held in the evening and Rev. Robert D. McCarthy of Indianapolis presented the Ordination Sermon; Rev. Thurman Fuller of Anderson, Indiana gave Charge to the Candidate; Mr. Jones of Dayton gave charge to the church, and Rev. Carl Brown, Fort Wayne, Indiana, offered the Ordination Prayer.

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